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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- against -

REMOVAL TO THE
DISTRICT OF VERMONT

ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and
MARCO VILLAR,

(Fed R. Crim. P. 5)

No. 18-MJ-1056

Defendants.

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EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, SS:

IAN KANGAS, being duly sworn, deposes and states that he is a Deputy United States Marshal with the United States Marshals Service ("USMS"), duly appointed according to law and acting as such.

On or about September 6, 2018, arrest warrants were issued by the United States District Court for the District of Vermont, commanding the arrests of defendants ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and MARCO VILLAR for possession with intent to distribute heroin, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a), 841(b)(1)(C), and 18 U.S.C. § 2.

The source of your deponent's information and the grounds for his belief are as follows:

1. On or about September 6, 2018, a grand jury sitting in the District of Vermont returned a single-count Indictment, captioned 18 Cr. 103, charging the defendants ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and MARCO VILLAR with possession with intent to distribute heroin, on or about July 23, 2018, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a),

841(b)(1)(C), and 18 U.S.C. § 2. In connection with these charges, the appointed Clerk of Court for the United States District Court, District of Vermont, issued warrants for the arrests of the defendants. The arrest warrants were signed by Deputy Clerk Lisa Wright. This matter is pending before the Honorable Christina C. Reiss, United States District Judge, District of Vermont. A copy of the Indictment and the two arrest warrants are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

2. I have reviewed the Affidavit of a Vermont State Police Trooper (the “Affidavit”), which describes the criminal conduct underlying the charges in the Indictment. According to the Affidavit, in substance and in part, a confidential informant, who has provided reliable information in the past, informed law enforcement that a narcotics supplier was sending two “runners” – later identified as the defendants, ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and MARCO VILLAR – to sell heroin and “crack” cocaine to customers in Fair Haven, Vermont. On or about July 23, 2018, law enforcement entered the apartment in Fair Haven from which the defendants were servicing customers. Defendant VILLAR was found in the bathroom, pushing something into the toilet and flushing; and defendant HANAFI was observed attempting to conceal bags of narcotics in an attic crawl space in a back bedroom. Multiple baggies of packaged heroin were also found in the back bedroom, scattered on the floor. A cellular telephone was also located in the back bedroom, with a message visible on the screen, reading: “cops outside” and “flush everything.” In total, law enforcement seized approximately 25 bags containing a substance that tested positive for heroin, and weighed approximately 41 grams. Both defendants were placed under arrest, and charged in Vermont Superior Court. Those charges were subsequently dismissed, in light of the instant federal charges.

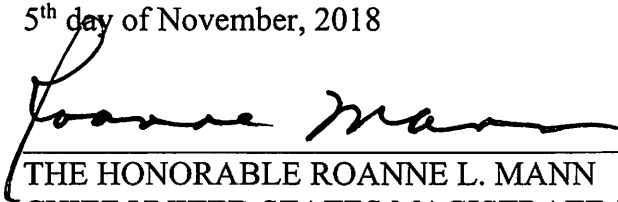
3. On November 5, 2018, the defendants ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and MARCO VILLAR were both arrested by the USMS in Brooklyn, New York. Their identities were verified by their fingerprints, which were collected upon arrest and which matched those of the individuals previously arrested by the Vermont State Police, as described above; the pedigree information provided by each of the defendants today during their arrest booking; and by the comparison of the photographs of each of the defendants contained in their criminal history, which match the individuals arrested today.

WHEREFORE, your deponent respectfully requests that the defendants ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and MARCO VILLAR be dealt with according to law.



Ian Kangas
Deputy United States Marshal
U.S. Marshals Service E.D.N.Y.

Sworn to before me this
5th day of November, 2018



THE HONORABLE ROANNE L. MANN
CHIEF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERMONT

U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF VERMONT
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

v.)

ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and)
MARCO VILLAR,)
Defendants.)

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INDICTMENT

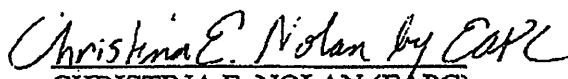
The Grand Jury charges:

On or about July 23, 2018, in the District of Vermont, and elsewhere, the defendants
ABDULAZEEZ AL HANAFI and MARCO VILLAR, knowingly possessed with intent to
distribute heroin, a Schedule I controlled substance.

(21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a), 841 (b)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 2)

A TRUE BILL


FOREPERSON


CHRISTINA E. NOLAN (EAPC)
United States Attorney
Burlington, Vermont
September 6, 2018

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the
District of Vermont

United States of America

v.

Abdulazeez Al Hanafi

Defendant

Case No. 2:18-cr-103-1

ARREST WARRANT

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

YOU ARE COMMANDED to arrest and bring before a United States magistrate judge without unnecessary delay

(name of person to be arrested) Abdulazeez Al Hanafi

who is accused of an offense or violation based on the following document filed with the court:

- ☒ Indictment
 ☐ Superseding Indictment
 ☐ Information
 ☐ Superseding Information
 ☐ Complaint
☐ Probation Violation Petition
 ☐ Supervised Release Violation Petition
 ☐ Violation Notice
 ☐ Order of the Court

This offense is briefly described as follows:

Possession with intent to distribute heroin

Date: 09/06/2018City and state: Burlington, VT*Risa Wright*

Issuing officer's signature

Lisa Wright, Deputy Clerk

Printed name and title

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 DISTRICT OF VERMONT

Return

This warrant was received on (date) _____, and the person was arrested on (date) _____
at (city and state) _____

Date: _____

Arresting officer's signature

Printed name and title

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the
District of VermontUnited States of America
v.

Marco Villar

Case No.

2:18-cr-103-2

Defendant

ARREST WARRANT

To: Any authorized law enforcement officer

YOU ARE COMMANDED to arrest and bring before a United States magistrate judge without unnecessary delay

(name of person to be arrested) Marco Villar

who is accused of an offense or violation based on the following document filed with the court:

- ☒ Indictment
 ☐ Superseding Indictment
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Lisa Wright, Deputy Clerk
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